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## **Hunting Opportunities at Raystown**

**RAYSTOWN LAKE, Pa.** — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Raystown Lake will open access roads from Oct. 16-23 to accommodate the state-wide fall antlerless muzzle-loading season and the three-day firearms season for junior, senior, disabled and active duty hunters. The open roads will include:

• The Susquehannock Campground Road (Gate 8 - just off Bakers Hollow Road); High Germany Road (Gate 28 – Nancy's Camp Service Road); Fink Road (Gate 27 - just off John Bum Road); the Miller Farm Road (Gate 35 - near Weavers Falls Recreation Area); the Upper Corners Road (Gate 13 - near Seven Points); and Hawn Road (Gate 1).

The following roads will open Nov. 13 –Dec. 11 to accommodate the fall turkey season, bear season and the concurrent rifle deer season:

• The Susquehannock Campground Road (Gate 8 - just off Bakers Hollow Road); High Germany Road (Gate 28 – Nancy's Camp Service Road); Fink Road (Gate 27 - just off John Bum Road); the Miller Farm Road (Gate 35 - near Weavers Falls Recreation Area); the Upper Corners Road (Gate 13 - near Seven Points); and Hawn Road (Gate 1).

Wildlife Biologist Jeff Krause noted that because of the restructuring of the turkey season dates it will now allow hunters the opportunity to use these roads during bear season. Mr. Krause also noted that there are several hundred Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) permits left for DMAP Area 89. DMAP permits are issued at any license issuing center and may be used in select areas to harvest

additional antierless deer. Maps and additional information on DMAP can be found at <a href="http://raystown.nab.usace.army.mil/LandManagement/deer\_management.htm">http://raystown.nab.usace.army.mil/LandManagement/deer\_management.htm</a>

The Corps may close or choose not to open these gated roads depending on weather, road conditions or special activities such as logging operations. Other hunters, such as those pursuing small game or archery hunting opportunities, may also use the open roads for vehicle access during these periods. Fall is also a time of year when many other visitors enjoy the woods including trail hikers, mountain bikers and nature observers. The new 32-mile Allegrippis Trails System will be open and hunters should expect moderate bike trail use and plan their hunt accordingly. Please be aware of your surroundings and always positively identify your target.

There is no off-season maintenance on these roadways; vehicle operators will be traveling at their own risk. All Pennsylvania Game Commission and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regulations apply. For more information on Raystown Lake natural resources and hunting programs, visit the natural resources stewardship link at <a href="http://raystown.nab.usace.army.mil/">http://raystown.nab.usace.army.mil/</a> or call (814) 658-3405.